

**Amendment to the Abstract:**

The Abstract has been amended. A revised Abstract is attached.

A device for placement in a wound and for use with sutures to repair the wound of a patient. The device ~~comprises~~includes a body having at least one aperture extending radially through the body. A shaft is disposed within and rotatably coupled to the body, and the shaft has at least one receiver substantially in line with the aperture in the body. One method ~~comprises~~includes the steps of placing the body and shaft of the device within a cavity of the wound; attaching a first end of at least one suture to a first side of the wound; passing a second end of the at least one suture through the body and coupling it to the shaft; attaching a second end of the at least one suture to the second side of the wound; and rotating the shaft with respect to the body to pull the first side of the wound and the second side of the wound toward one another.

Attachment